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Applicants : Yuh-Shen Song et al.

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Commissioner for Patents MAIL STOP: AMENDMENT P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action of December 12, 2006, in which a three month shortened statutory period for response was set expire on March 12, 2007, applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections set forth in the Official Action, in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.

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